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## THE PRESIDENT IS DEAD.

Death Relieves the Sufferings of the President at 2:15 This Morning. End Comes Peacefully.

## ENTIRE NATION MOURNS THEIR GREAT LOSS.

Patient Sinks Rapidly After Midnight Thursday and Attendants Give Up Hope of Recovery Friday Evening. Friends and Relatives Hastily Summoned. Vice-President Roosevelt Takes the Oath of Office.

[Special Dispatch to the COCONINO SUN.]

BUFFALO, N. Y., September 14.—William McKinley, who was shot by the assassin, Louis Czgoysz, at the Pan-American Exposition, in this city, on Friday afternoon, September 6th, died at 2:15 this morning at the home of President Milburn of the exposition.

During his last hours he was partly conscious, and a short time before death he rallied under the influence of powerful drugs and called for Mrs. McKinley, telling her: "Good-bye, all; good-bye. It is God's way. His will be done."

Other relatives and members of the cabinet surrounded the dying president, and the scene was very touching as he revived at intervals and bade them all "good-bye."

Vice-President Roosevelt has taken the oath of office and is now president. The McKinley cabinet will immediately resign so as not to embarrass the new president, leaving him to act as he sees fit.

The funeral of the dead president will take place at Canton, Ohio, on next Thursday.

A sudden and critical change took place in the condition of the president at midnight on Thursday. His condition grew worse all day Friday, death taking place at 2:15 this morning.

The physicians in attendance had up to midnight on Thursday assured the public that the president was doing well and his recovery seemed certain.

The first change in the condition of the president was given to the public in the following messages:

BUFFALO, September 13.—Secretary Cortelyou gave this out at 3:30. He said the president was being kept alive by strychnine. He said he was very low, and the doctors were working very hard over him. He said there was the gravest danger now on account of a very weak heart action. The windows of his room have been opened, and everything is being done to get the most air. All of the relatives and friends have been summoned. Mrs. Lafayette McWilliams, Mrs. McKinley's cousin, arrived at 3 o'clock. There was great excitement, as it was then believed the president was dying. Cortelyou would not admit that this was the case, but he gave the impression that there were the gravest fears for the president's life. This is at 3:40 a. m.

BUFFALO, September 13—5:35 p. m.—The president's physicians report that his condition is the gravest at this hour. He is suffering from extreme prostration. Oxygen is being given. He responds to stimulants but poorly. Pulse, 125; respiration, 40.

BUFFALO, September 13—5:48 p. m.—The president's family has been summoned. Colonel Brown says: "There is no hope; he is dying."

BUFFALO, September 13—6:30 p. m.—The president has revived and asked for Mrs. McKinley. She is now with him.

BUFFALO, September 13—9:15 p. m.—The president is now unconscious and the physicians in attendance say there is no hope of his recovery.

BUFFALO, September 14—5:20 a. m.—The president died at the Milburn residence at 2:15.

Trouble began on Thursday afternoon through failure of the digestive organs to perform their functions. Necessary nourishment had been pressing for several days.

The rectum, through which nourishment had been injected previous to Wednesday, became irritated and rejected enemas. This forced the physicians to give the patient nourishment through the mouth probably before the stomach was prepared.

The first administration of beef juice through the mouth, however, seemed to agree with the patient, and the physicians were highly gratified at the way the stomach seemed to receive the food. At breakfast Thursday chicken broth, toast and coffee was given, and was spoken of by all the physicians as strong evidence of the president's marked improvement.

It was only when it became apparent late in the morning that this food had not agreed with the president that the first genuine anxiety appeared.

Early yesterday morning intimate friends and relatives of the president were telegraphed for. Soon after 10 o'clock there were assembled in the downstairs rooms of the Milburn house Senators Hanna and Fairbanks, ex-Secretary of State Day, Secretary Wilson, Secretary Hitchcock, Mr. and Mrs. Herman N. Baer, Abner McKinley, Miss Helen McKinley and Mrs. E. Duncan, sisters of the president, and Mrs. Lafayette McWilliams.

Dr. W. W. Johnson of Washington and Dr. Janeway of New York, two of the most eminent heart specialists in the United

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